FISCAL NOTE

SB 2430 - HB 2520

January 29, 2004

SUMMARY OF BILL:

- Provides that a member of the Commission on Firefighting Personnel Standards and Education whose term has expired shall continue to serve on the Commission until a new member is appointed.
- Provides that the Commission shall establish classifications based on training and education for full-time or volunteer "fire service personnel" rather than "firefighters."
- Changes all references to "supplemental income bonus," "state bonus supplement," and "salary supplement and educational incentive bonuses" to "educational incentives."
- Certain persons "subject to call" to provide firefighting services are no longer defined as a "firefighter" under the provisions of this bill.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - Not Significant

Any increase in state expenditures to implement and monitor the provisions of this bill is estimated to be not significant.

Note: Due to the change of the definition of "firefighter," there would be a smaller pool of individuals (currently less than 10) who qualify for the "educational incentives" under the provisions of this bill. This would increase the amount allocated to each eligible firefighter but would not change the state appropriation for the program since there are not currently sufficient funds to pay the maximum allowed under the appropriations act.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director